

REMARKS

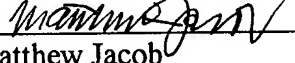
The above amendment is presented to eliminate multiple dependent claims, thereby reducing PTO filing fees.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is entitled "**Version with Markings to Show Changes Made**".

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 3-5 have been amended as follows:

3. (Amended) The method for producing cyclic polyether compounds of claim 1 [or 2], wherein the alkylborane is obtained by the hydroboration of *exo*-olefin with 9-BBN.

4. (Amended) The method for producing cyclic polyether compounds of [claims] claim 1, [2 or 3,] wherein the basic aqueous solution is an aqueous solution of NaHCO_3 .

5. (Amended) The method for producing cyclic polyether compounds of [claims] claim 1, [2, 3 or 4,] wherein 1 to 2 equivalents of cyclic ketene acetal phosphate are added to 1 equivalent of alkylborane.